- Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to recognize outstanding individuals who have demonstrated excellence in their chosen field of endeavor; and
- Whereas, Bob and Patricia "Pat" Abbott of Marshfield, Missouri, were chosen as the recipients of the Lifetime Achievement in Business Award, a most impressive accolade bestowed upon them by the Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce; and
- Whereas, named Business Persons of the Year in 1995, Bob and Pat Abbott distinguished themselves for many years as the operators of a café/bus stop/gas station/motel unit on Route 66; and
- Whereas, a veteran of the United States Navy who served in the Pacific Theatre during World War II, Bob Abbott has enjoyed recognition by being an Agent for the Sinclair Oil Company Bulk Plant for twenty-five years and owning a men's store for thirty-five years; and
- Whereas, Bob Abbott has also been a member of the Marshfield Lions Club for more than a half century and supports the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce; and
- Whereas, Pat Abbott, who has owned a ladies clothing store since 1950, is an avid basketball enthusiast whose granddaughter is a member of a team that won 102 consecutive games and whose members have all been inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame; and
- Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Abbott derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their fifty-plus-year affiliation with the First Baptist Church, where Pat has served as a Sunday school teacher for several years; and
- Whereas, Bob and Pat Abbott have been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include two daughters, Sally Clemons and Susan Abbott, and one granddaughter, Kim Green:
- **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud Bob and Pat Abbott for their selection to receive the Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement in Business Award and in wishing them only the best in all future endeavors; and
- Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Bob and Patricia Abbott.

Offered by	
Representative Michael L. Cunningham	
District No. 145	
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I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 555, adopted February 16, 2005.